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In re Application of:

Michael HECKMEIER et al.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments and additions to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.